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REMARKS

Claims 1-79 are pending in the present application. Applicants have amended the claims to place them in a condition for allowance. As the Examiner will appreciate, some of the amendments are non-substantive. For example, the preambles of many claims have been amended to specify "an optical device," instead of "an optical surface of an optical device." As a result, some of the bodies of those independent claims and some of their dependent claims have been amended to reflect a proper antecedent basis for the terms appearing in the claims. To illustrate, all appearances of "optical surface" in originally-filed Claim 2 have been amended to "optical device," corresponding to the modification to the preamble of Claim 1.

Applicants have further amended some of the claims to specify that the optical device is a spectacle lens or a mold for forming a spectacle lens, the coating solution imparts scratch-resistant properties, the coating solution is applied to substantially the entire optical surface of the optical device, and the coating solution is applied to create a substantially uniform thickness and/or surface. Support for these amendments can be found throughout the Specification as filed. As examples, support for the optical device comprising a spectacle lens or a mold for forming a spectacle lens can be found, *inter alia*, on page 1, lines 13-25, and in Figures 4-6; support for the coating solution imparting scratch-resistant properties can be found, *inter alia*, on page 25, line 15, and page 27, line 10; support for the coating solution being applied to substantially the entire optical surface can be found, *inter alia*, in Figures 4-6 and 9; and support for the coating solution being applied to create a uniform thickness and/or surface can be found, *inter alia*, on page 22, line 12, page 22, line 30, and page 25, line 11. These amendments, accordingly, are not believed to add new matter.

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration and allowance of the present claims.

Kindly charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$129.00 representing the fee for the addition of three independent claims. This fee is believed to be correct; however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account.

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Should the Examiner believe that anything further is necessary to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

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